

SWARCer NEWS

January 4, 2016

January Meeting

The minutes from the January meeting have not been submitted.

Miss Nancy, KM4KUT discussed the establishment of the school radio club. She is looking for volunteers to help also she is looking for hams to make radio contacts with the students after the study periods. Miss Nancy has been making facebook posting as to when the students would on. Please check her facebook page or look for emails.

The club had a discussion on the next raffle. It was determined that we had great success with the Yeasu radio. Steve, KA0GMY reminded everyone that it will take a complete effort by all club members to make a successful raffle.

The club discussed and approved the donation of

\$500.00 to the PCRN/Danny for the continued support of the repeaters in use by the SWARC and others. The club was reminded by Tim, W4TAR of the continued support that Danny has provided the club in the use of his many repeaters and the tolerance he has shown to the club in the use of his repeaters. Thank you Danny and we hope this donation does help a little.



Public Service Through Amateur Radio

South Wake ARC's primary purpose is to further the Amateur Radio Service through programs, activities, and education, in order to promote the radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency of our members. Further, it shall be our purpose to support the welfare of our community through public service including radio communications for emergency situations and public events, and through providing information, training, and assistance to individuals or organizations with an interest in the Amateur Radio Service.

South Wake Raffle

At the January meeting we discussed what to raffle off for the Field Day raffle.

After much discussion it was decided that the Yaesu FT-857d was the choice of the club. Tickets will be \$5.00 and we hope to sell at least 400 of them. We are off to a great start with a sale of 20 tickets to the masked ticket buyer. To be successful we will need the support of the entire club.



Hi everyone as the editor of the club newsletter I want everyone to know what to expect. I am hoping to have the newsletter out the first weekend after the club meeting. So if you have information you want included then I will need it that weekend. If you take part in a special event then write it up and submit it along with some pictures. We will be happy to include your articles. If you would like to write about something going on in the club (good or bad) we will be happy to include your article. Please remember this is your newsletter and your contributions are appreciated.

**South Wake Amateur Radio
Club Treasurer Report
December 2015**



Club News
and World
(local) Events

Club Addition and Reduction Activity

Raffle Tickets	665.00	cash/check
Donations	10.00	cash
Dues	22.50	check #4221
Total Additions		697.50

Reductions

Meal expense	17.30	check #1615
Donation	50.00	cash
Total Reductions		67.30

RBC Bank Account Activity

Balance as of 12/07/2015	3578.28
Addition	697.50
Reduction	67.30

Balance as of 01/04/2016 4208.48

Christine Fernandini KJ4AEO 01/04/2016

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Member-At-Large

Tim Ruffin – W4TAR

Member-At-Large

John Lockhart – KA0IRG

Membership Chair

Ryan Avery , NC4RA

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Net Manager

Julie Royster - KT4JR

Special Events Director

Gino Fernandini - KI4YXO

Public Service Director

Kenn Kubacki – KK4OSI

Membership

If you have questions concerning your membership please contact Ryan, NC4RA.

NET REPORT

Hey Steve!

Mark has not provided his net reports, so if you are doing your newsletter today I guess you will have to use the results from 29 nets rather than 31. I have changed it (SEE BELOW) to reflect 2 nets with multiple controls. I also realized that this changed a few of the checkin numbers. If I hear from Mark I can amend this.

Here is some text for your newsletter...

73,
Julie

SWARC Net Report for December

We enjoyed some especially entertaining nets in December when

multiple net controls filled in while Kenny KJ4CVK was sick. On Christmas Eve Nancy KM4KUT celebrated her own birthday by sharing net control with Jim K9RII and Bradley KM4JYR, and the trio got everyone chuckling. Wally NC1NC volunteered to take over a net that Julie KT4JR was unable to finish calling, and he did an admirable job in a pinch. Wade KW4EMG has also volunteered to help out as a substitute net control when needed. SWARC is fortunate to have such a big talent pool. As of the New Year, Kenny feels better and is back on the air, for which we are glad.

Julie KT4JR

Net sessions: 29 (missing 2 net reports)
Members participating: 41
Visitors participating: 109
Total checkins ("QNI") 757

Net control operators listing:

AJ4NX	M	6
KM4JYR	M	3 and 1/3
KT4JR	M	3 and 1/2
KM4KUT	M	2 and 1/3
KA0GMY	M	3
KJ4CVK	M	2
K9RII	M	1 and 1/3
NC1NC	M	1/2

NC4MP	M	1
Top QNI listing:		
28 KW4EMG	(Guest)	
28 KK4QDZ		
25 K9RII		
25 KN4OO	(Guest)	
25 KT4JR		
24 NC4MP		
23 KA0GMY		
22 KI4WAI	(Guest)	
21 AJ4NX		
21 KM4GBM	(Guest)	
21 KM4JYR		

Next Club Meeting

Our next meeting will take place on February 1, 2016. Dinner will consist of pizza and will start at 6pm. Please sign up so we can purchase enough pizza the cost will be \$5.00.

Our program will be the annual Auction so be sure to check your closets and barns for unwanted equipment and bring it out to be auctioned off. We will try to get you a few dollars for it. Get there early to get your equipment registered.

Those that have not attended one of our auctions be aware that it is a full combat auction. If you move you bid, if you talk you bid, if you sneeze you bid. In other words come prepared to bid. It has been a lot of fun in the past and everyone has left satisfied.

Hope to see you there.

Christmas Party News

It is with pleasure that I report that Miss Cindy Girton attended our Christmas party and received a gift. She has written us a thank you note expressing her gratitude for her gift that she received. She says she was going to use her gift to go to Chick-Fil-A. That is her favorite place to eat.

Thank you for the note Miss Cindy and we hope to see you at future meetings.

Dear North Carolina Amateur Radio Club,

The 2016 North Carolina QSO Party is coming up February 28. This year's event includes some exciting new features.

W1VOA will operate from the site "C" receiving station in Pitt County;

NI4BK will again operate from the Battleship North Carolina; a high power category is allowed, Swain and Warren Counties are bonuses;

and new rules for clubs for 2016:

Club: Two or more persons using a valid FCC issued club call perform

operating and logging functions. Operation may be from one permanent

or portable location only, and the location must remain fixed throughout the contest.

One or more transmitted signals may be on the air simultaneously. This gives clubs the opportunity to have new operators get on the air,

and still be racking up points. What a fun way to spend time with your club!

If your club has **special plans for locations, modes, or expeditions, please post your plans, county you will operate from, and club call-sign here:**

ncqsoparty@yahooroups.com

You can sign up for the NC QSO Party email reflector here:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ncqsoparty>

Thank you for letting us know that your club will participate.
We look forward to hearing from you.

73
Joanne AK4RJ
NC QSO Party Clubs Manager

Post 116 Amateur Radio Activity



From the Post 116/SWARC Amateur Radio Station, Commander Greg Gabry (K9PGG) makes contact with American Legion National Headquarters Amateur Radio Station (K9TAL) in Indianapolis, Indiana during Veteran's Day celebrations. The South Wake Amateur Radio Club (SWARC) meets at the Post on the first Monday of each month at 6pm for dinner, with the meeting starting at 7pm. All are invited to attend!

For more information, SWARC:
<http://www.southwakearc.com>, The American Legion Amateur Radio Club (TALARC):
<http://www.legion.org/hamradio> Contact: Mike Ramsey, kd4okr@gmail.com

Chaplain's Corner

In November, I had the great honor of visiting a few of our members in the hospital. I don't enjoy having one of our own in the hospital, but I do enjoy getting to spend a few minutes more with

members than I usually get to when at the Post. If you should ever receive a visit from me, please know that I'm just there to let you know that the members of the Post are thinking of you. You and I will talk about what you want to talk about for as long as you seem to want to talk. At the end of the visit, I'll ask if you'd like me to pray with you. I want you to be comfortable, so feel free to decline. It won't hurt my feelings. Everyone is unique and my presence there is to help you feel appreciated and comfortable.

December is an important time for many faith traditions. Spending time with loved ones, the giving of gifts in love, and, of course, the food, are the common threads of the season. Enjoy these times, despite the stress of the crowds and that crazy relative (and if you don't have one, then you might be the crazy one in your family). I encourage you to deepen your personal faith through observance of a tradition within your faith background, or to even try something new. Instead of giving your grandparent yet another dust collector for the shelf, check out

<https://www.christianrelieffund.org/giftcatalog> and purchase a chicken (\$15), a doctor visit (\$25) or mosquito nets (\$10) in their name that someone really needs.

May God bless you and keep you –
Chaplain Mike Ramsey

[Picture from the meeting](#)



